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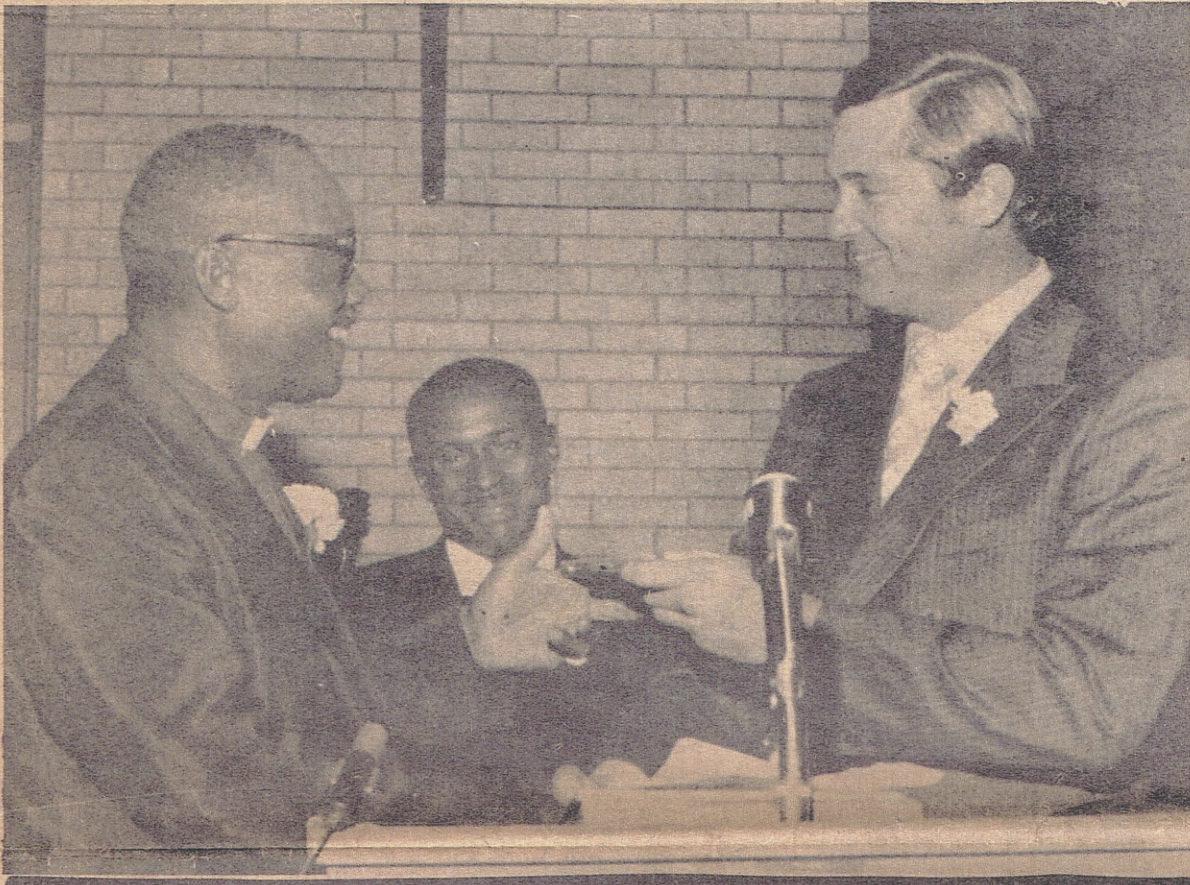
"The law of truth was in his mouth and iniquity was not found in his mouth, Mal. 2:6. "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32.

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## GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADOPTS AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION



Presiding Bishop J. O. Patterson receiving Key to Pine Bluff from representative of Mayor's office, Pastor Dewitt Hill in background.

### BISHOP J. O. PATTERSON RECEIVES KEY TO CITY PINE, BLUFF ARK.

The celebration of Trinity's fourth homecoming began Tuesday, February 22, 1972, with a soul-saving crusade, conducted by Elder Percy Dean of Yazoo City, Mississippi. The crusade was in session throughout the 25th. It is indeed a great blessing for the saints of God to be able to gather themselves together for the purpose of winning souls to Christ.

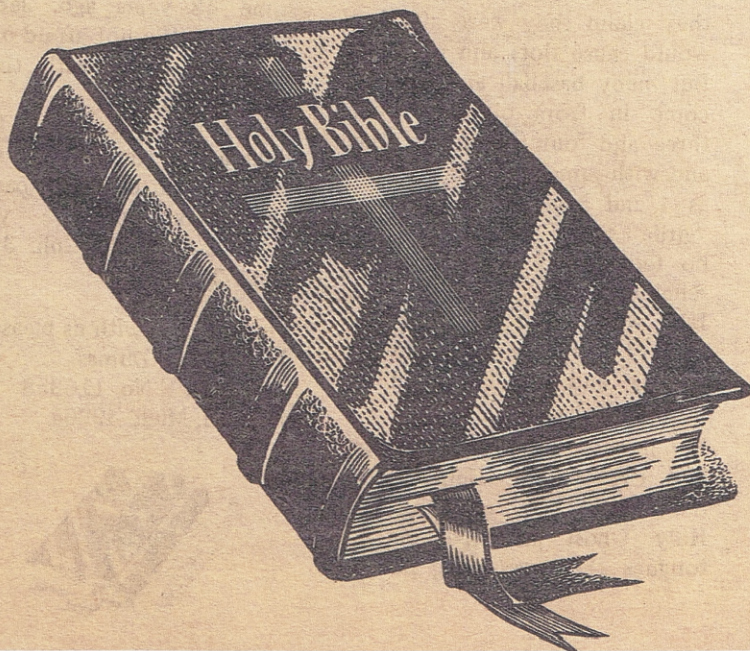
A pre-homecoming musical was held on Saturday, February 26. Featured in this musical were Sister Verna Olliver Price and Bro. John Hill, from Chicago, Illinois; Bro. Horace Hill, from Minneapolis, Minnesota; and many singers and choirs from the surrounding areas in Arkansas.

After having enjoyed the many rich blessings of the four-night revival crusade and the Saturday-night musical, the best was yet to come.

Sunday, February 27, marked the official day of the homecoming services. The homecoming activities began at 8:30 a.m. with a two-block march, in which many of the saints joined, singing Zion songs of praises. The caravan marched to the front entrance of Trinity's sanctuary for moments of



Presiding Bishop J. O. Patterson (Center) (Left) Bishop Jacob Cohen, Constitutional Committee Chairman (Right) Bishop William Rimson, Chairman General Assembly.



### 22nd ANNUAL WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

The Elect Ladies of the Church of God in Christ, will meet in New Orleans, Louisiana this month, for the Twenty-second time in the sixty-five year history of the church, under the able leadership of Dr. Anne L. Bailey, of Detroit, Michigan. The meeting will begin with the Pre-Musical on Wednesday, May 31, and the keynote address will be given by Mother Bailey on Thursday, June 1, 1972. The Theme of the meeting will be "WOMEN AND CHANGING TIMES."

It is expected that record-breaking crowds will fill the convention headquarters throughout the meeting. The very lovely FAIRMOUNT ROOSEVELT HOTEL has been chosen as the site for the meeting.

### "THE MILLIONAIRES CLUB"

The colorful and picturesque brochures describing the CHISCA HOTEL PROJECT caused numerous delegates to spontaneously join "The Millionaires Club, of which Presiding Bishop J. O. Patterson is President. You may rightfully proclaim I AM A MILLIONAIRE by pledging and paying your one thousand dollars along with the other nine hundred and ninety-nine today. Plans are now underway for the ANNUAL CHARLES HARRISON MASON MEMORIAL BENEFIT DINNER, to be held at the Chisca Hotel. You may reserve a \$100-a-plate table by writing Mrs. Julia Mason Atkins, National Co-Chairman, C. H. Mason Scholarship Fund, 930 Mason Street, Memphis, Tennessee

### A RADIOGRAM ANSWERED

A CHRISTIAN young man from the South, was a "wireless" operator during the World War. Early one morning, After a night of duty, he snatched a few minutes from his "Quiet Hour" when no message was going over, and he was reading the twenty-third Psalm. Suddenly the thought came to him to send the psalm out over the water and see if any ship would take it up. He did, and as he sent the last word sixteen ships answered a wireless "Amen."

To educate a man in mind and not in morals is to educate a menace to society.—Theodore Roosevelt.

Approximately three thousand delegates, comprised of Officials and laymen of the Church of God in Christ from around the world, gathered here in Memphis, Tennessee, April 11-13, for the 1972 session of the Annual Spring Conference. Presiding Bishop J. O. Patterson officiated throughout, prayerfully sustained by the supportive assistance of the General Board members.

### THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AGENDA

Undoubtedly, the item of foremost concern on the Agenda for the General Assembly was the PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION. Bishop William Rimson, (Detroit, Michigan) Chairman of the General Assembly and Constitutional Convention, and all delegates, complimented Bishop Jacob Cohen, (Miami, Florida) Chairman of the Constitutional Committee, on his masterfully composed presentation.

Other vitally important matters included the ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS OF PROPERTY to the Church, reports of the ELECTION COMMITTEE and the NOMINATING COMMITTEE. The success of the arduous tasks brought before the General Assembly was accomplished because Presiding Bishop Patterson, First Assistant J. S. Bailey, Second Assistant S. M. Crouch and Women's Supervisor Anne L. Bailey, projected a united front characterized by patient understanding, and prayerful determination. Bishop O. M. Kelly, F. D. Washington, L. H. Ford, and Wyoming Wells were among those representing the topmost elected leadership of the Church of God in Christ, who, at various strategic intervals, reminded the General Assembly, that while we uphold a democratic process in our Church government, we must be mindful that the Trinity of God, the Father, Jesus Christ, the Son, and the Power of the Holy Ghost, are our Divine Guide always.

### ELECTION COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman of the Election Committee, Elder Ronald L. Morris, 177 Alexander Avenue—Bronx, New York 10454, must receive your petition with one hundred signatures of pastors in support

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## A LETTER TO THE EDITOR FROM: JACKSON, MICH. PRISON

Dear Sister Mason;

"And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day." Gen. 3:8; "Then I said, I am cast out of thy sight: yet I will look again toward thine Holy Temple." Jonah 2:4. "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out." John 6:37. Jesus said it, Hallelujah!

Grace, Mercy, Peace and Love be unto you, yours and all of like, precious faith, from God our Father the only true God, Jesus Christ our Lord, Master and Saviour in the Holy Ghost; Amen!

Words are inadequate and we find it extremely difficult to fully express, relate or adequately thank and praise Him for His, "Everlasting Love, Amazing Grace, Joy Unspeakable, yes and full of Glory." Hallelujah! Yes, I thank Him right now for He has anointed my head with oil, my cup runneth over. Thank you Jesus! Now this wasn't my intentions when I began to write this letter, but I make no apologies for the leading and guiding of the spirit of truth. I only solicit your prayers that I may continue to follow His teachings, leading and guiding without drawing back or declining.

My motive for writing this letter at this time is to send out a "Macedonia Cry and Call." Some few years ago I wrote you requesting the Whole Truth Paper, also sending my testimony, "How the Doctor's gave me up, but God raised me up." This was in Oct. of 67, and you replied and I wrote you a Thank you letter relating how it was gladly accepted and passed on to others. Well as of today, I want to thank God and you and for the prayers of the saints; for you printed my testimony and the thank you letter to the editor and the Lord really blessed. I heard from many saints, old friends and acquaintances. Sister Mason, you couldn't possibly realize what a blessing this was to a lonely old-man to receive such encouraging and inspiring letters of comfort. This gave me deeper determination and stronger desire to hold-on and to keep-on-keeping on. Oh! I thank God for touching your hearts and as a result, will you rejoice with me and others for a "door was opened", as the Holy Ghost gave us to witness and testify, to others of "God's goodness and Love", to the so called down, but not out and shut-in, but not shut-out.

That same Jesus, that is "high and holy", (Oh! yes he is) also cares for and equally love the "meek and lowly." He is able to ransom, redeem, and restore "even me", who has taken the title of O.O.T.L.O.G.L.O., meaning "One of the least of God's little ones. Oh! Glory, Eph. 3:8 and Matt. 25:31-45. The Lord blessed us to meet and lead to him many fallen ministers, yes some of them

Church of God in Christ members, who because of disobedience had also felt the "Wrath of God" and his "chastening rod", but who as a Jonah of old or worse, "Cried by reason of their afflictions unto God", "out of hell" and was heard and delivered and is out now endeavoring to make a three day journey in one day.

This is the largest single cell prison in the United States of America. Some say the world there is over five thousand. Here, some are Bishop's sons; District Superintendents, Elders and Pastor's sons, and brothers and many whose wives, sisters, mothers and aunts are Evangelist Missionaries, State workers and so on, in the Church of God in Christ. Others who were raised up in the Church of God in Christ; together with some of the Assembly of God, Nazarene and Apostolic faith, got together and daily held services until we had so many it was against the rule to allow inmates to hold meetings of any kind in the yard, but the Lord is my secret judge. I didn't know this when we started, because it was the third one we've had and really it was a wonderful work and blessing. As the scripture has said it, Romans 8:28, "All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose. So being over the required amount twenty-five, we had over forty-five. We were informed if we could get an out side (free-world) Minister of our faith to come in, they would allow us to hold services in the Chapel once a week. So we contacted and requested Elder Non Walker at 1032 So. Milwaukee: Jackson, Mich. 49203

And he agreed to come in and teach. Now this was the latter part of last year, some 7 or 8 months ago. He comes in each Thursday at 12 p.m. until 4 p.m. Although we formerly had services each week day and two and three times on Saturday and Sundays we didn't work, but Elder Walker has been faithful to us. We are very grateful to him and thankful to God, as he does this without any pay or offerings, not even gas for the trip. We thank him, for the sacrifices he makes, even sometimes bringing in his musically inclined son, Johnny Walker, to play the organ and piano for us.

So Sister Mason, you can see how the Lord has, "open the door" for the Church of God in Christ to hold bible classes here, which was once not allowed because they considered our section, "too emotional" and they claim they were afraid it would cause riots and so forth. But many baseball and football come in from outside. Some three and four teams at a time and with junior leagues as young as 4 and 5 years old. Likewise "girlie" shows and so forth. But no females are allowed in for religious services, how dreadful. But we are pressing on the upward way, new heights we are gaining, and we thank God for how far he has brought us.

But here is the "Macedonia Call and Cry", Help! Help! Help! Since some are receiving the Holy Ghost and speaking in tongues they are being put in

hospitals, isolations, psychiatric division and even sent to mentally ill hospitals. While others are being passed by or given "sets and flops" by the Parole Board and detained beyond their time or finance to protest these treatments.

None of the Chaplains here believe in the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, especially speaking in tongues. Therefore it has become almost "taboo" for many to come to our Pentecostal or Holiness services. We have one Jewish, one Catholic, one Baptist and one Methodist Chaplain. They are recommending their members or attendance up for Specials and Parole and they are getting them out. Now you know almost everyone want to get out of prison, so you see the contrast; our being "bugged", detained and so forth. Their's being given even positions, good jobs and one even made assistant pastor at a local Church and is able to go to school at the State's expense. But as the scriptures say, Acts 28:22, "for as concerning this section (holiness) we know that everywhere it is spoken again". But some of us are like Daniel, we are determined we won't eat and defile ourself with the King's meat, and we won't pray to no other God, but the true and living God; for we not only believe he will deliver, but as the three Hebrew boys say, "If it be so our God whom we serve is "able," but if not we will not serve nor bow to no other God. Will you read what Paul wrote Timothy; 2 Timothy 4:16-18. I quote verse 18; "And I was delivered out". Verse 17; "But the Lord will deliver me from every evil work and will preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom, to whom be glory forever and ever Amen!"

Well Sister Mason, I felt lead of the Lord to write you and Bishop J. O. Patterson. Bishop L.H. Ford who may remember me from yester-year, also if Elder W. L. Porter or someone would hear our "call or cry" and help us or even write the Warden; Perry Johnson, 4000 Cooper St. Jackson, Mich. 49201 or Chaplain; Wm. Saunders (colored) Baptist Chaplain or Chaplain Joseph McFerran, Methodist Chaplain. Elder Non Walker's address is also in this letter. Surely the effectual fervent prayers of the righteous availeth much and what says the scriptures, "Peter therefore was kept in prison, but prayers was made without ceasing by the church unto God for him." And as for me personally, pray that I may continually hold on to the word of God, given me by Jesus in the Holy Ghost; my first calling some 42 years ago. Jeremiah 1:5-8-10, "Be not afraid of their faces for I am with thee to

deliver thee saith the Lord," Hallelujah! May the Love, Joy and Peace of God that passes all understanding be yours. O.O.T.L.O.G.L.O. Eph. 3:8 and Matt. 25:31-45.

Pray for and with us please. Bro. J. Nathaniel Dumas  
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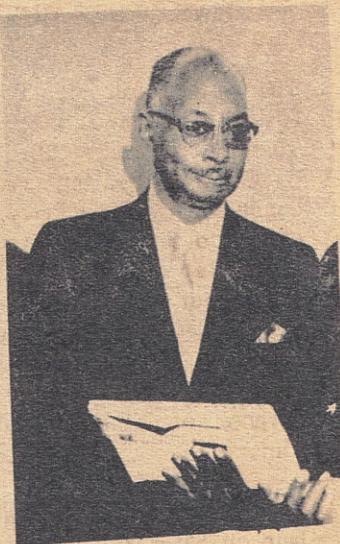


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of any Jurisdictional Bishop to be entered in the nominations during the General Assembly Election Day, November 11, 1972. You may obtain the proper form from the Office of the General Secretary, Bishop D. A. Burton, 938 Mason Street, Memphis, Tennessee. The completed Petition must be received by the Chairman of the Election Committee not later than August 1, 1972. The specific matter of the voting procedure is outlined in detail in the Report of the Election Committee available from the General Assembly Delegates who received copies.

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The name of nominees for GENERAL BOARD, GENERAL SECRETARY, GENERAL TREASURER AND FINANCIAL SECRETARY will be published in a later issue of the Whole Truth paper. Also, the names of the additional nominees from the various Jurisdiction will be published according to Chairman Bishop C. L. Anderson. The Report of the Nominating Committee as read by Secretary N. Haynes, (Dallas, Texas) was prefaced with the statement that no provisions in the Report would be accepted that were in conflict with the Amendments to the Constitution adopted by the General Assembly. Specific reference was made to the election of the Presiding Bishop from among the twelve elected to the General Board, and the Presiding Bishop will select the First Assistant and Second Assistant from the eleven, to be ratified by the General Assembly.



BISHOP

CLEVELAND W. WILLIAM  
President

## PLAN NOW TO ATTEND

The International Sunda School Convention of the Church of God in Christ Atlanta, Georgia

Theme for Convention

"Give Diligence To Preserve Thyself Approved" Timothy 2: 15

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# Church News

## BELLPORT, NEW YORK

Jefferson Chapel Church of God In Christ

I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the House of the Lord Psalms 122:1. We are grateful to God to be counted part of this Grand Old Church of God in Christ. God is doing great things for us forever we are glad. On the first Sunday morning in February our pastor preached under the anointing of God: Text found in St. John Chapter 9 verse 3, and as he journeyed, he came near Damascus and suddenly there shine round about him a light from heaven. Subject I saw the light. Our pastor did preach the Gospel: after such a message he had altar call, nine adults came out of darkness to the wonderful light. The following Sunday we were blessed to have our District Missionary Johnson who is newly appointed we enjoy her; also set up meetings we are saying come again Missionary Johnson.

On this Sunday our pastor came forth with the message for these trouble times to let us know if prayer work for Paul and Silas it will work in these days of much confusions, his Text was found in Acts Chapter 16 verse 25 and at midnight Paul and Silas prayed and sang praises unto God and the prisoners heard them, Subject, Keep On Praying; Did our hearts burn while the man of God was at his best in Christ Jesus, the church went forth in the Holy-Holy-Dance. The third week in February our Pastor called us to go on a fast Tuesday and Friday to 6 p.m. with a week of prayer. God did bless from the beginning to the end. Saints first were revived one sinner saved-many that were sick were healed. Our Missionary Thompson complained of headaches she took test, X-ray at the hospital. She came to prayer Pastor prayed and anointed everyone with oil. She said she felt the power of God from the crown-to the soul-she knew then she was healed-test came back negative. She did praise God in the dance. Our pastor the Sunday after the week of prayer and fasting text was Malachi Chapter 2 and the 6th verse walk with God when this man of God was in the highlights of his message the church went forth in praising God, knowing that we can walk with God. On this Sunday we were blessed to have visiting Missionary Hayward of our State Bishop Church. She is to come back in April for a week of Services. Our pastor and his wife after Sunday services knowing that they must work while it is day. Were asked to go to the hospital by one of the church members who sister lies at the point of death.

But we know there is nothing too hard for God. We are thanking God for Sister Turner who is a new member, who our Pastor met on Christmas morning after Sun Rise Services the Lord spoke and said go in to the highway and Hedges, this soul was sick and had one operation waiting to have another after Christmas. But our Pastor told her the second one was not necessary laid hand on her and anointed her with oil-after

Christmas she went back to the hospital for her operation the doctor told her what ever she had was gone. This week we will be praying from house to house, pray for our leader who is a young man. But God sent one--one that love the Church. His lovely wife works one hundred percent beside him. We love and esteem her as a pastor wife.

Our Pastor has anointed prayer cloths yours for the asking if you desire one. Please write to this address:

Rev. Ralph Jefferson  
P.O. Box 758  
Southampton, New York  
11 968

Elder Ralph Jefferson, pastor  
Sis. Wanda Hughes, Reporter

## HEALED OF EPILEPSY

### TESTIMONY:

I was never considered a strong person physically and was rather sheltered by my mother ever since childhood. At the age of 13 a type of palsy crept into my life. My mother took me to many doctors and hospitals to find out why I passed out so often. Then a specialist analyzed my case as epilepsy. He told us there was no cure, and I would have to take medication the rest of my life. Also I was limited in my activities.

It was necessary for me to give up one of my jobs because of the seizures I suffered. On one occasion I almost lost my life because of them. I have fallen down steps, suffered second degree burns on my legs, and broke my glasses while wearing them all because of my illness.

One time I tried going without the medication. At the beginning of the fifth day I blacked out at work and was taken to the hospital because of injuries. Then I was afraid because the doctor warned me I would be subject to more seizures if I didn't take medicine. So I decided I would take it in the name of the Lord and be satisfied with the way I was, thinking it was the way I was meant to be.

Sometimes I felt like a dope addict, having to have the medicine in order to make it. I was also taking pills for various things which the doctor thought might trigger the seizures. There were pills for nervous condition, fatigue, and other difficulties. To complicate things, I was told I shouldn't miss meals, so I constantly ate.

One of my frequent trips to the hospital was caused by an abscess in my side. I was pregnant with twins at the time. While on the operating table I suffered a seizure. My family was told I wouldn't live, but God had different plans.

Later I spent time in the psychiatric ward of a hospital, with the possibility of being sent to a larger institution. I was bitter toward the establishment there and life held a dim

outlook. Often I lay awake at night crying. But my stay there finally reached a turning point.

When I returned home, faith began to form in my heart. God met me, blessed me, and healed my body. He spoke these words to me, "Put your medicine in the drawer and just as you have done without it this day, do without it the next." Daily medication in my life have vanished, Praise God. And I don't have any more falls. I give the glory to God.

Mary Louise Crossley  
Omaha, Nebraska

## BROWN CITY, MICH.

Greetings to the saints of God everywhere in the name of Jesus Christ our only Saviour.

And a highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called the way of Holiness. Isaiah 35:8. This is the way that leads to heaven. He gave us a map to go by which is the Holy Bible.

If we go according to His word, we will make it in. Not only will we make it in, but we will also take someone else through our life. That is why Jesus saved us. Jesus said in St. Matt. 9:37, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the Laborers are few. And in St. Matt. 5:6 Jesus told His disciples things to do and things to refrain from doing. So let your light so shine, so men can see your good works and glorify your father which is in heaven. Jesus told the disciples to go to Jerusalem and tarry for the Holy Ghost. And after it have come upon them, they have power to cast out devils, heal the sick, and raise the dead. James 5:14, Is any sick among you? let him call for the Elders of the church for healing. Now how can my prayers be affective when we Elders don't wait on God for our healing? 1 Timothy 4:12, but be thou examples of the things we teach. I cannot tell a man not to steal if I steal. Romans 3:21, Thou therefore which teachest another, teachest thou not thyself? So saints if we want men to be saved, we must believe God.

To prove to the world that the Bible is right, we must give God a Chance. I have gone to the Hospitals to pray for the sick and to tell them how God could save and heal them. But sometimes our pastors and Bishops are in the same room with the sinner, seeking the same help from Egypt. Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help. Isaiah 31:1. What can I tell the sinner man? What would I have to offer him? If we are Christ Ambassadors, we must be able to do as Elijah did in 1 King 1:18-40. We must show the world more than patting and dancing. All the churches are doing that now, but they are denying the power, let us not be as the heatheps. So let us as God's chosen people, stand still and see the Salvation of the Lord. We don't wait on the Lord because we don't believe what we preach. Therefore we are afraid to take a chance on waiting on Jesus.

Most of us, God has blessed so much in the last propertious years, we don't want to leave it, altho we say, we have a better home in the great beyond. When we have a unusual pain and the devil whisper in our ear and say it may be cancer, then we began to inquire about the way down to Egypt seeking help. Christ dwell in us richly, we have no fear, perfect love cast out fear, 1 John 4:18. Preachers let us say as Peter and John said to the lame man at the gate, begging arms. They did not tell them what Daniel or the Hebrews did, but they said look on us. They were men as we are, if I obey God's word He will keep me from all danger that Satan may bring against me. He have kept me more than 20 years, not one cent spent for medicine, not even an aspirin. God can keep you. Will you Trust Him? Every word of God is right.

Elder W. Cryor, pastor  
Elder A. Mercer, reporter

## VIDALIA, GEORGIA

To those sick, ill, and need prayer for any cause send your Prayer Request to Evangelist R.L. Lambert 309-5th Ave. Vidalia, Ga. 30474 or you may call 537-2114.

To you in our area, listen Sundays 6:05 a.m., to the Evangelistic Hour over WVOP Radio 970 on your radio dial here in Vidalia, Ga. Evangelist Lambert can bring Gospel Programs to your church. For details write to the above address. May the God of Peace be with all.

Evangelist R. L. Lambert

## NEW FELLOWSHIP TABERNACLE Church of God in Christ

We the members of the New Fellowship Tabernacle Church of God in Christ at 13745 Fenkell Avenue. Along with our Pastor Elder D.M. Eubanks, do rejoice and praise God for bountiful blessings that he have bestowed upon us. We thank God for our Pastor, the man of faith, a man that God has anointed to pray.

God have given him a Prayer-Outreach which can be heard by thousands every Sunday morning over radio station W.D.R.Q 93.1 (FM) from 9:00 to 10:00 A.M. Many souls are reporting that they are healed and others are receiving the forgiveness of sin, through the blood of Jesus, and the anointed prayer cloth. ACTS 19:11, 16 & JAMES 5:13, 17.

If you have a condition or problem that seem unsolvable, God specializes. You may have one of these anointed prayer cloths by simply, addressing your letters to: Prayer Outreach % Elder D.M. Eubanks, P. O. Box 5353 Detroit, Michigan 48211

If you would like to be prayed for on the Broadcast, you may call 272-5070 and we will pray for you over the air, we have three open lines to take your testimony or prayer request. We will be expecting to here from you. Whenever you are in the City of Detroit, you are

cordially invited to visit the Tabernacle, and worship the Lord with us. ALL ARE WELCOME.

Missionary M. Martin Public Relations of National Emergency Resque Squad

## CLEVELAND, OHIO

Faith Tabernacle Church of God in Christ 596 Homeworth Avenue in Painesville, Ohio is happy to announce that another Son of Thunder is born. On March 12, 1972 at 3:30 P.M. we were honored to present one of our very own young men to preach his first Gospel message, one in which was brought up in this church.

Mr. Larry Darrell Barclay, oldest son of our Pastor, Minister Barclay preached out of his heart, "What Spiritual Power is and How You Can Obtain It." The Sweet Spirit of the Holy Ghost fell upon this young dramatic speaker as he went forth in the word, the lasting affect on the audience was one in which I'm sure will never be forgotten some jumped and went forth in the dance, others cried tears of joy, while others just tried to hold their rising emotions in. The church was jamed packed without even standing room, people from all over the State of Ohio and quite a few from out of the State were present, some as far as Memphis, Tenn. And Grand Rapids, Michigan came to witness the trial sermon of this young man.

Minister Barclay is a senior in High school and has high hope of attending the Charles Harrison Mason Theological Seminary, in Atlanta, Georgia he is presently serving as choir director and Jr. Deacon.

The principal of the school where minister Barclay attends was so overwhelmed as he sat and listen to this young man, that he could hardly keep his seat, and latter expressed the joy he experienced.

Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Barclay Jr. are very proud of their son who has been an inspiration to almost everyone he comes in contact with.

We wish to congratulate you minister Barclay on a job well done.

The Members of Faith Tabernacle

## STOP WORRYING

It is not good for anybody to worry. Worry sets the stage for nervous breakdowns, strokes, heart attacks, and insanity. The ungodly worry because they are bound by sin and have no savior. Christians, on the other hand, are not supposed to worry at all. A Christian who worries is a "SAD SACK."

Listen to the Word of God. "Be careful for nothing (DON'T WORRY ABOUT ANYTHING); but in everything ("in everything" means IN EVERYTHING) by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace

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## STOP WORRYING

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of God which passeth all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Casting ALL YOUR CARE upon Him; for He careth for you. PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7, I PETER 5:7.

When trouble, emergency, and crises come, you should get alone with God as quickly as possible. Talk with God until the grief and heaviness is lifted from you. If it takes a full hour, you should remain with God until the load is lifted. Then, His peace will flood your soul. Your heart, mind, and nerves will be at ease. He will KEEP YOUR HEART. When God keeps your heart, it is impossible to have a heart attack! If you have a heart attack, God is not keeping your heart. He will KEEP YOUR MIND. When God keeps your mind, it is impossible for you to go crazy.

Prayer and Bible study is the key to faith and the key to a victorious life. When you pray and have faith in God, you can't worry. When you worry, you are not praying and you have no faith in God. So, stop worrying! PRAY and SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES DAILY. That He would grant you according to the riches of His glory to be strengthened with might by His Spirit IN THE INNER MAN. That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height. And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end, Amen — EPHESIANS 3:16-21.

The Teaching Prophet  
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## FIRST JURISDICTION TENN. Y.P.W.W.

All of us must quickly carry out the tasks assigned us by the one who sent us for there is little time left before the night falls and all work comes to an end.

Dressed in white uniforms and black handkerchiefs, they performed their duties with devotion and care. Listening to the speaker, Missionary Ida Brodnax, the principle speaker for the evening, the State Y.P.W.W. Usher Board President of the First Jurisdiction of Tennessee. Sister Emily Works, and her assistant, Sister Laura Gaines, realized the workings and results of a meaningful service.

Sunday, February 27, 1972 was State Y.P.W.W. Usher Board Day. It was truly a day to be remembered. Sister Works worked diligently toward the



**SISTER EMILY WORKS**

success of this program, and it certainly proved to be a blessing to the State.

I have heard it said that her name explains her life's aim. . . Sister Works. And certainly we have found this saying to be applicable. She is one who works indiscriminantly with any and all functions and auxiliaries of the church. She is a dutiful woman; one ; one who is easy to understand and love and who in turn gives love and understanding .

She is a member of the New Jerusalem Church of God in Christ, pastored by the Elder L. M. Haley, where she serves as an ardent member and vice president of this usher board. You see, not only is she a leader, but a wonderful follower as well; one who believes in leadership.

Then, after all is said and done, she holds to a testimony of being saved, sanctified, baptized, and filled with the Holy Ghost which is the greatest honor that could ever be bestowed.

We as the Y.P.W.W. Department feel highly blessed of the Lord to have her that we may be recipients of her services. No project is too great or too small for Sister Emily Works to take on. She uses the thought, "truly the Lord is with us," she gets with her band of ushers, numbering 17 and performs some wonderful deeds.

Pray for her and her usher board that it will grow and succeed in all its endeavors and that it will continue to be a blessing to God's people everywhere.

And to you, Sister Works, long life and many, many, more years of service.

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Bethel Temple Church of God in Christ

Holy greetings in Jesus' name to the saints of God everywhere from the Bethel Church of God in Christ with Elder N.H. Henderson, pastor and executive secretary of Texas South Central. We praise God for his many blessings and his goodness to all nations of people.

## WHICH WOULD YOU RATHER BE FRIENDLESS OR FRIENDLY

To be friendless or friendly is really something we all consider at one time or another in our life. There are two sides of

observing this friendless or friendly condition-the physical side and the spiritual side. Naturally no one wants to be friendless and everyone generally tries to be friendly. On the other hand, if you have God in your life and have his son, Jesus Christ walking with you, you are not friendless and you'll find out that you are more friendly. Friends are what everyone wants to have; I don't believe anyone wants to be friendless, but almost always friendly. Truly to be friendless makes the individual involved sad, but to be friendly makes the individual involved happy as well as others happy. These two conditions are really something to think about and decide which is harmful and which is rewarding.

To tell the thing the way the truth is, I would rather be a friendly person any day than to be a friendless person for all time. Being friendly is much more rewarding than being friendless. I choose to be friendly, why won't you? You'll be happier

Sis. Jacqueline B. Thorn Pamela J. Sumlin

P.S. — Pray for us as we pray for the saints of the most high God everywhere that they might be blessed of the Lord.

Sis. Jacqueline B. Thorn,  
Reporter  
Eld. N.H. Henderson, Pastor

## FIRST ECCLESIASTICAL JURISDICTION N.J.

Bishop Esau Courtney presided over the 51st Annual Spring Conference of the First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of the Churches of God in Christ, State of New Jersey, March 7 thru 13. The Conference was held at Wells Cathedral, Newark. Rev. Chandler Owens was host to this great conclave. Dr. Anne L. Bailey, State Supervisor of the Women's Department.

The meeting officially opened with united prayer and rededication led by Bishop Courtney. The spirit of oneness prevailed throughout the meeting.

The General Theme - "The Church: Pressing Onward in Spite of Opposition" and related Sub-topics (a) "Enemies Without" and (b) "Enemies Within," were discussed in the afternoon seminar sessions under the deanship of Elder John L. Bazemore. In one of the classes it was brought out that Longfellow stated, "If we would read the secret history of our enemies, we would find in each man's life sorrow and suffering enough to disarm all hostility." The classes were most inspiring, stimulating and encouraging.

Dynamic and soul-stirring sermonettes and sermons were delivered each evening by young ministers and pastors of the State.

Mother Bailey, our State and International Supervisor of the Women's Department was blessed to be with us. Our hearts were overjoyed in seeing her. Mother Bailey presided on Friday - Women's Day. In the

afternoon session, Spiritual Lunch was delivered by Missionary Willa M. Bonner. Each district Missionary and each State Auxiliary Leader gave a progress report of her work in the State.

During this session, Mother Bailey delivered her official message - "He That Hath an Ear, Let Him Hear What the Spirit Saith to the Churches." Mother advised that we should "Take heed HOW ye hear," Mark 4:24 and "Take Heed WHAT ye hear," Luke 8:18. As usual, our precious mother was at her best and spoke under the unction of the Holy Ghost. Upon the conclusion of her message the church was ignited and animated spiritually.

The Y.W.C.C. under the leadership of Mrs. Dorothy Magwood and Mrs. Susie Reid were in charge of the evening session on Women's Day. The Theme for the evening was "Young Women - Take Time to Live Holy." Speakers were Mrs. Izelia Harrison, Mrs. Ruth Carter and Mrs. Dorothy Magwood.

History was made in the Women's Day session in that Mother Bailey made the appointment of two. District Missionaries. Missionary Addie Simmons was appointed District Missionary of the Atlantic District and Missionary Eva Dove was appointed District Missionary of the Northwestern District. In addition, Mother Bailey presented National Evangelist License to Missionary Ruth Thompson who recently united with the Church of God in Christ.

On Saturday afternoon the session was devoted to the Sunshine Band, Purity Class and Junior Boys' League, under the leadership of Mrs. Effie Way, Mrs. Willa M. Bonner and Mrs. Shirley Campbell, respectively. The children brought forth a wonderful program.

During the evening session the Sunday School Department was in charge. The newly appointed State Sunday School Superintendent, Elder Nathaniel Nicholson and the State Sunday School Field Worker, Mrs. Bertha Campbell presented a splendid program. Dr. O. T. Jones, Jr. of Philadelphia was the principal speaker.

Sunday, Official Day, services began at 12:00 noon. Elder John Knight and Presiding Elder Robert Bragg were Masters of Ceremonies. Music was rendered by the 125 voice State Choir - Mr. Henry Leonard, Organist and Minister Lester Bragg, Director.

Bishop Courtney delivered a timely, dynamic and soul-stirring message - Theme: "The Man." St. John 19:5. The following are excerpts from his message: "We are not talking about A Man, but THE Man. Many men in the world. Adam, the first man, but I found out that he was not the man. Abraham was the father of the Jewish nation - but Abraham was not the man. Nero was emperor of the Roman empire and ruled as emperor for 14 years but he was not the man. Jesus was a man in the midst of men. Jesus was a man over and above men. Jesus was a man for



continuation of San Francisco, Calif.

exercise our spiritual gifts to God's service.

Fourth Sunday, February, 27th, Mother Myrtle Moore and Missionary A.D. Stanley supervised a beautiful program. Guest speaker, missionary Laura Lester brought us the word of God from Saint Mark, chapter 8, verse 35. "For whosoever will save his life shall lose it, but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's the same shall save it."

Truly we received the message with gladness of hearts and an understanding.

Thursday nights are Home and Foreign Mission nights. Our purpose here is to be of service to others, the sick and those in need at home or away. We work willingly under our president sister Minnie Kimp.

Thursday night, March 2nd, Mother Myrtle Moore our assistant Church mother brought to us guest speaker missionary Pearl Page, returned missionary from Liberia, W. Africa. She gave a beautiful report of some of her many experiences and outstanding works for God's service while traveling on the foreign field.

Her testimony was an inspiration to all who were present.

Sister Lena Willis, the president of our Young Women Christian Council recently revealed her calling to the mission field

Among other good works sister Willis recently sponsored a successful fund-raising project for the remodeling of our church building now in progress.

Bay area residents may hear Faith Temple's broadcast each Sunday night at 9:00 P.M. on radio station K.E.S.T. Please remember us in your prayers.

Elder F. W. Cotton pastor  
Sister Annie Ruth Reeves, reporter

#### "A STARTLING VISION OF JUDGMENT"

The following vision was given to the daughter of Mrs. A. C. Valles, San Francisco, California, on Oct. 12th, nineteen twenty-three. This girl was attending Bible School at that place.

I entered the judgment hall, which seemed just like one of our court rooms. On the bench was Jesus, whose face was stern—not a smile, nor a frown, but like our regular judges here on earth. On his right hand side was a flight of stairs of the very whitest marble and at the foot of the stairway was a white angel. On his left was a very narrow and dark stairway that led to the earth below and a black angel with white wings stood there.

I stood and looked all the girls of the Bible school filed in, one by one. When Jesus saw us, there was not a smile nor a move on His face. He motioned us to His right hand we stood there in a semi-circle and waited.

After a short while, through the middle aisle, came twenty-one girls, all powdered and painted, with bobbed hair, very short skirts, and transparent silk stockings. They all stood around the Judge's seat. Jesus looked and said: "With your powder and paint and exposure of your flesh, you have dragged men to hell! Go to meet them." He motioned to the black angel to take care of them.

One by one they went down the narrow stairway. Jesus told me to go and see what awaited them. I followed the black angel as he walked behind the last girl. As they went down the black stairs, the stones burned as live coals. O, how the girls screamed and yelled, but they could not escape, for a black wall was on each side. Down, down they went. It seemed we were going to the very center of the earth. I did not feel the heat in any manner whatsoever. I was right behind the angel, and when he and I stepped on the stairs, they were black as before and did not burn.

Finally we came to an opening in the wall where was a large, high fireplace and an angel standing on each side. As the girls filed in, they stood in a semi-circle around the fire place and both angels started to see to the girls. They took burning cinders and put on their faces for powder and live coals on their cheeks for paint. O! how the girls shrieked, but they were absolutely helpless and could make no resistance. One by one they had to undergo the process.

After they were through there and on their way out, they stepped on a kind of stool, while through another process their legs were frozen.

We started again on that winding stairway that seemed to lead us to the very center of the earth. On and on we went, until we came to the lake of fire, where we stood. Something like a narrow water pipe or iron bar went right across the lake of fire. The black angel told the girls to walk on the pipe. With the least movement or turn they fell into the fire, but not one of them fell down.

The twenty-one girls stood there while underneath could be seen the heads of men floating on the liquid fires. The angel looked at the girls and said, "You have carved the admiration of those men; you shall have it for eternity;" then turning to me, said, "Let us go back." We came to the judgment hall. There were Jesus and the school girls just as we had left them. Jesus said to me, "Now, daughter, will you continue to use your powder and cream?" I answered, "No, Lord; never, never!" Then turning to the girls, He said, "Learn the lesson."

The girls went out and I was left alone in the judgment hall with Jesus, and both angels. Very soon, through the middle aisle, came twenty-one preachers, all with their Bibles in their hands and looking in every direction, with great boldness, as if they came to claim a reward. I looked and the first was Brother C. \_\_\_\_\_, who was the only one who did not carry a

Bible, but his head was bowed and he was praying every moment as he approached the Judge. When Jesus saw him, His face turned into the most tender smile, as He said, "Welcome home, ye weary pilgrim." He motioned the white angel at His right, and from the stairs came two shining angels, one with a crown, and the other with a white robe. However, I was not allowed to see what followed.

The twenty-one preachers stood around and awaited their sentence. Jesus looked at every one of them, and said, "Go where your congregations are waiting you." He motioned the black angel at His left and the preachers went down the narrow stairway, dark, and winding. The same thing happened as when the girls passed; the black stones turned to live coals. Down, down we went. It seemed we were going to the very center of the earth.

Finally doors were opened on the right side, and each minister entered to his church or congregation. The angel took me in with the first minister. It was just like a little church, only the walls were as of red-hot iron. The people were there in the pews. When the preacher came in, all in one voice said, "We have been waiting you; what are you going to preach now? The minister gave one loud yell, and said, "Hell is real!" He called the congregation to order and said, "Let us sing a song. They opened their books and started to sing, but instead of their voices, sharp tongues of fire came out of their mouths. I was horrified and hid behind the angel, crying "Take me away; I can't stand this any longer!" He took me back to Jesus and I begged Him to let me go; that I could not endure any more of these scenes, but He told me to wait, that there was something I had to see.

We waited a short while in the judgment hall. Soon came, in great confusion, all talking at once and each one trying to get ahead of the other, twenty-one mothers. Some were expensively dressed and nearly all wore jewels. "Where are our daughters?" "Where is my daughter?" "What have you done with my child?" All were very much excited and their eyes wide opened. Jesus looked at them with His stern, unmovable face, and motioning the black angel, told the women, "Go to where you have sent your daughters."

The black angel motioned them to go down the same narrow, black stairway, which they did, one by one, but this time the black stoned did not turn to live coals as before. I followed just behind the angel, while down, down we went again. At last a door opened and we came into a large, square hall. It was a beautifully lighted ballroom and there were sixty to eighty girls, ranging from seven to twelve years of age, all performing the up-to-date dances. When I could see clearly what was going on, I was horrified and shook from head to foot.

The little girls, were all naked and a huge snake was coiled around their bodies. I begged the

angel to take me out. Just then he pointed to the front of the room, where all the girls were facing. There on a kind of platform, stood a dragon or a monster snake, the tail of which spread several feet on the floor. The rest of the body was coiled up like a figure eight. Right in the middle of this figure eight was its immense head.

It was more than I could stand and I cried, begging the angel to take me out, which he did. We returned to the judgment hall and I asked Jesus to let me come back; that I couldn't stand any more of these scenes. He said, "Go and tell my people about it."

Friend, do your sins trouble you? Thank God, you can have them all forgiven, if you confess them. "Christ died for our sins—and rose again." I Cor. 15

"Trust in the Lord Jesus Christ & U R Saved."

#### CINCINNATI, OHIO

Holy Greetings to the saints of God in every place. I thank God for His goodness to me at all times.

I thank God for the Evangelist who came to the city of Birmingham, Ala., at a time when I was desiring a better life.

I was converted at a very early age on a Wednesday in 1908 in the Missionary Church of God in the state of Georgia. In 1910 I became a Missionary in the Missionary Church of God and cleaved to it until I met the Minister of the Church of God in Christ. It was on Oct. 17, 1928 when God saved me to do His will and filled me with the Holy Ghost. I worked on the Mission field for five years. Souls were saved even in the Sewing Circle, saved to work for the Lord.

In 1935 as a nurse, I moved with my husband to Pratt City, Ala. I had a letter of recommendation and Missionary licenses. Elder E. Hueges was pastor. Elder Hueges baptized me in the water.

I was blessed to be a helper in rebuilding at our National Headquarters in Memphis after the burning of the tabernacle also in the building of our Saints Junior Academy in Lexington, Miss.

Thank God for participating in the broadcast at the Smithfield Church of God in Christ in Birmingham, where the late Bishop R. F. Williams pastored.

After the death of my husband, I became very ill. The saints prayed for me and succored me. I was under a nervous breakdown and the doctor advised my sister to bring me to Cincinnati with her. I was given two years to live. This was in 1939. I do thank God for my life and the prayers of the saints, especially in Cincinnati.

Mother Bessie Lane Simon  
601 Maple Tower  
Cincinnati, Ohio

#### RIPLEY, TENN

Holy Greetings from the Church of God in Christ, to the saints of God everywhere. If a man die,

shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time I am going to wait until my change come. Job. 14:14.

We were so wonderfully blessed to have Elder Jim B. Fly, from Humboldt, Tenn., with us this week, conducting a week's revival. Truly the Lord met us there every night. Elder Fly brought beautiful messages each night.

Sunday night he preached from St. John 15th chapter, "I am the True Vine." Monday night he talked from Ecclesiastes 3rd chapter, "Time to Live Holy". Tuesday night he talked from Colossians 3rd chapter, "If ye be risen with Christ". Wednesday night he talked from St. Luke 18th chapter, "Men ought always to pray, and not to faint." Thursday night he talked from 34th chapter of Psalms, "Make your boast in God not Man." Friday night he talked from 5th chapter of Matthews, "Blessed are the poor in Spirit." Truly Elder Fly really did bring us the word of God.

Our Pastor Elder Holden was with us every night. He also teaches us the word of God. He cares for us, for he will tell us the word of God just like it is.

We also had healing services two nights, people were healed. The Lord is yet in the healing business. Christ is not dead he's very much alive, for he lives in the people of God.

Sister Holden was at her best of duty every night as an usher. Elder Dickerson also was present every night. Truly he is a wonderful man in the Lord. And Mother Fly working right by Elder Fly's side. May God bless her.

Do continue do pray for us because prayer is the answer in times like these. Peace, Love and Joy be with you all ways. Please pray for us.

Elder C.J. Holden, pastor  
Mother Buchanan, reporter

#### TULSA, OKLAHOMA

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. The Lord has impressed me to say something about people that Gossip.

People that Gossip are very wicked. Some people seem to think you have to commit some great sin to backslide, but friend may I say this; when we spend our time on the telephone gossiping about other people, instead of on our knees, we have backslided. Galatians 5:15.

No wonder some of our churches are like a deep freeze, because we have no prayer life. We have walking garbage cans sitting in the church. If each one of our lives were put in a showcase, would we want our sins to be known? And if they were known would we want to be treated as we have treated others? Which means; If we hang other people's name on the highway, would we want someone to hang our name on the highway? These scriptures will prove what I mean; St. Matthew 7:12, Galatians 6:1-7.

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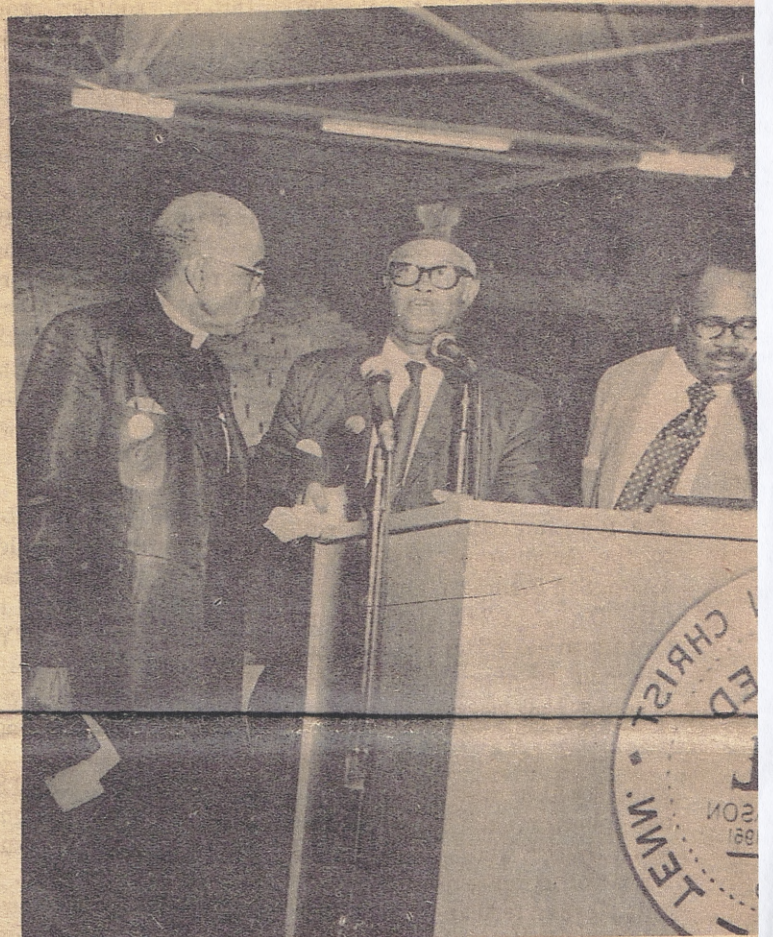
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